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My dear friend

Here is my beautiful production I wish you joy of it, and myself a safe deliverance. I have of late years been frequently invited to write for the Rebel - and have declined - not from any unwillingness to the honors of being seen in good company - not from any indifference to the interests of the cause, nor any unwillingness to oblige your sister. Nay verily - but it was from quite another motive. It was from my humility. I am not used to writing either poetry or prose. I only write letters - and I hate to see mere filling up stuff in the Rebel - or communications that are only inserted because their authors contributed - or for want of something better. I feel for the honor of the Liberty Rebel and therefore I have not written. However as I have been again asked, and as I don't like to be disobliging where one is not disposed to be the contrary - I have made a great effort to send you something not entirely stupid. I hope it will do. I also send a letter from Rushton to Paine which you will find mentioned in a note near the end of my article. You can learn the note out of it - don't like to put the letter in. You should do as you please with the whole affair.

By the same post goes an article from James Hamilton contributed by my regret. He brought it yesterday.

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He [illegible] to cut and slash - and I made use my power to my life she has done her best but she is fairly fooled - the paper is to full of unconsequent matter and commonplace attentions. James Naughton is a man of uncommon moral courage and goodness of heart - and when he has any thing to say he writes with great good sense and sometimes power. On other occasions he is apt to be windy. There is a great want of keeping & closeness in what he writes. You may learn as much as I can phrase it - only put something in - for he is a true man - one of the best men I have any knowledge of.

Next week I hope to send you another article from a friend of mine but it is not yet ready. There are so very few who know or care for the same here - and almost no literary people - that it is extremely difficult to get any thing worth the post up to send you. I saw in a late Athenaeum a notice by Lewes of ~~[illegible]~~ of a book called "The Young Adventurers". If the book be a good one I would like a few copies when the box comes in spring. I hope you will get Douglas to contribute - and that you will rather make the Rule small & select - than large & heavy. I hope we shall have the pleasure of seeing Jackson this time.

You may freely command me, and I wish to thank you for doing so, in any thing you would deem in the three Kingdoms. I wish do my best.

There is no fear but with powerful contributions for the Bahamas — but the things severally come in immediately before the term of forwarding. We send some dollars for purchases in Paris to your sisters and Miss Chatterton they must stand as contributions from Dublin. We have given of money a few — but very few workers

Yours ever truly

Richd D Webb

John Edmund Leonard I admire the dignity with which he fills the editorial chair. Has terribly he ought poor poor Harris of Newcastle. It is edifying to see that many of our Limerick wd not be very different pen even if they were in the same position

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